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Ms. Elizabeth Hughes
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100 Community Place
Crownsville, MD 21032

Dear Ms. Hughes:

Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) have seen a copy of the "Submission by the Town of Garrett Park to the Maryland Historical Trust to Request a Finding on the Impact of a Proposed Sidewalk Construction Project on Specific Historic Properties and the Historic Character of the Town" that was dated September, 2017. FHWA did not receive this letter directly from the Town of Garrett Park as part of the Section 106 consultation process. We will be working with Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration (MDOT SHA) and Maryland Historic Trust (MHT) on how to provide better guidance on the Section 106 consultation process with the local agencies. We will also be revising the section on Coordination Requirements for Historic Properties that is contained in the manual on "Environmental Coordination and Documentation Process for Local Government Projects".

Upon review of the above document submitted by the Town of Garrett Park requesting a determination of impacts on historic properties, FHWA believes that the current project design is compatible with the historic nature of the community while offering safe pedestrian movement for people. We have determined that the overall project will have no adverse effect on historic properties. This determination is based on the design drawings that were referenced in the September 2017 submission letter. If the Area of Potential Effects (APE) or the limits of disturbance should change, the Town of Garrett will reinitiate Section 106 consultation for this project. We are requesting the Maryland Historical Trust to concur with this determination.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Ms. Mar at (410) 779-7152 or via email at jeanette.mar@dot.gov.

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Sincerely

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